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This Request is provided in response to the Notice (PTOL-456) mailed 21 JUN 200 mand in the manner graciously suggested by Ms. Jeter of the office of Licensing and Review, in order to respectfully request that the requirement set forth in the Notice be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Applicant would suggest that the premise underlying this requirement, namely that the subject matter of the application is "useful in the production or utilization of special nuclear material or atomic energy", does not properly apply to the present application. While the subject matter of this application does include, for instance, the use of "photoreactive" groups that can be activated by ultraviolet radiation, this technology would appear to be quite different from, and hence unrelated to, the concerns of 42 USC 2182. Witness the fact that Applicants themselves have often applied for, and been issued, a number of patents dealing with similar technology (including, for instance, US Patent No. 5,002,582 described at page 18, line 10 of the

specification), while it would appear that none of these applications have been subject to a requirement of the present type.

The Office is encouraged to telephone the undersigned in the event any questions arise. In the alternative, the undersigned will contact the Office to determine the status of this Request by the initial deadline of August 5, 2002, in the hope of avoiding the need for either a statement of the type suggested or the promulgation of a further communication ("30 day letter") on behalf of the Office.

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